

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL BOARDS.

(Nos. 230 to 244.)

SUBJECT No. 230.

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- 1 Mr. Girmaji Rao, Kolar Municipality.
- 2 Mr. H. R. Tiruvengadaswamy Mudaliar, Hunsur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—1. Non-official Vice-Presidents may be appointed to District Headquarter Municipalities.

2. It is prayed that non-official gentlemen be appointed as Vice-Presidents of Municipal Councils, as the present Amildar Vice-Presidents have multifarious duties to perform.

Reply of Government.—The matter will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 231.

Full-time Vice-Presidents or Secretaries in Municipalities.

Messrs. U. S. Siva Rao and S. Manjiah, Chikmagalur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—To cope with the increasing executive work in Municipalities, the Government may be pleased to make adequate arrangement, such as the appointment of full-time Vice-Presidents or Secretaries, more especially, as the economic awakening is taxing the energy and occupying the time of the *ex-officio* Presidents and Vice-Presidents already burdened with multifarious duties.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 232.

Duties of patels and shanbhogs in Unions.

Mr. Hutchveeregowda, Gubbi taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Unions are established all over the State in accordance with the new Local Board Rules. The duties of patels and shanbhogs in these Unions may be defined as this has not been done in the present rules. The patels and shanbhogs should be made *ex-officio* members of the Unions.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 233.

Octroi on cloths.

Messrs. Gundappa, Kunigal taluk, and Chowdk Setti, Chamrajnagar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—When octroi is levied on cloths in one municipality and the same is taken in another municipality even after the expiry of three months thereafter, no further duty should be levied. The removal of the time limit is prayed for.

Reply of Government.—If all the Municipalities agree to the proposal it will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 234.

An Assistant Engineer to supervise District Board works.

Mr. Yajaman Rama Bhatta, Kadur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—An Assistant Engineer may be appointed to supervise the public works of the District Board.

Reply of Government.—If the District Boards send up a suitable scheme, the subject will receive the consideration of Government.

SUBJECT No. 235.

Fines on impounded cattle.

Mr. Yajaman Rama Bhatta, Kadur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The rates of fines levied on impounded cattle in the Kadur District may be reduced to what they were previous to G. O. No. 9184—L. B. 53-10-4, dated 10th May 1911.

Reply of Government.—This was done at the instance of the District Board. If the District Board will recommend the reduction in the rates of fines, the rates will be reduced.

SUBJECT No. 236.

Rewards for taking cattle to pounds.

Mr. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao,
Mandali taluk.

Summary of discussion.*—According to the recent rules approved by Government, rewards are being paid in the Bangalore City to persons taking cattle to the pound thereby opening a means to idle and mischievous people to pay for their drinks. Such men make it a profession to drive into the pound, any cattle they may come across. Obstruction caused to these persons, while taking cattle to the pound, is criminally punished. As, owing to this rule much difficulty is experienced by people keeping cattle, it is requested that this matter may be kindly reconsidered and the rule cancelled.

Reply of Government.—This should be represented to the City Municipal Council. Unless the Municipal Council recommends the abolition of the reward system after consulting the Civil and Military Station Municipality, Government cannot cancel the order already passed.

SUBJECT No. 237.

Cost of construction and repairs of dispensaries.

Mr. Yajaman Rama Bhatta, Kaur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The cost of construction and repairs of L. F. dispensaries may be entirely debited to Provincial Funds, as the District Boards are unable to bear their share on account of their limited income.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.

SUBJECT No. 238.

Exclusion of small villages from Unions.

Mr. M. Ananthiah Chetty, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Two or more villages are often clubbed together in order to make up the prescribed number in the population for the purpose of making a Union. This is felt as a hardship by the inhabitants of villages containing 400 or 500 people. It is requested that the population of only the major village may be taken into consideration.

Reply of Government.—This should be discussed in the District Board. Government generally take action according to the recommendation of the District Board.

SUBJECT No. 239.

Grant of vacant sites.

Mr. M. Ananthiah Chetty, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—According to Section 40 of the Municipal Regulation, the power of granting vacant sites in Municipalities is vested in Government. The Municipal Council is powerless to grant even a yard of ground. This is not only inconvenient, but entails a lot of correspondence and delay. It is therefore prayed that the power of granting vacant sites may be delegated to the Council or the Deputy Commissioner.

Reply of Government.—The subject is under consideration.